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January 2021

HERO TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES

<u>For your information:</u> HERO trips and activities are designed to be family events. The HERO board of directors has decided that, effective immediately, no alcohol will be allowed on bus transportation provided by HERO.

Leavenworth Ice Festival: January 15, 2022



Enjoy the snow, lights and the Bavarian themed decorations at the Bavarian Ice Fest in Leavenworth, WA. HERO will head up to enjoy the 'quieter' version of

Leavenworth to be found after the Christmas rush. HERO buses will travel on Saturday, January 15 to Leavenworth, where you will spend the day on your own, exploring the shops, restaurants and experiencing snow sculptures, a snowmobile sled pull and live ice carving. All the lights are still up, so you will get to experience lit-up trees! The cost of \$30/person includes transportation, sandwiches, and snacks. Contact Diane Call at 509.372.8371 or Diane_G_Call@rl.gov to make your reservations. Send payment (payable to "HERO") to Diane at MSIN S0-17 no later than January 6.

Ski Whitefish, Montana: February 10-13, 2022

Space may still be available. For \$325/person (which applies to 6 in a room, 3 nights lodging), join HERO for a long weekend of skiing and/or boarding. This package includes 3 nights of lodging at the Kandahar Lodging.



nights of lodging at the <u>Kandahar Lodge</u>, three days of skiing/ snowboarding, daily breakfast, and taxes. Transportation to Montana will be arranged on your own. Children, youth, and non-skier packages are available, as well as 2-night stays; for specific pricing contact <u>Angie George</u> at 509.420.3939 or angela_m_george@rl.gov. Please make checks payable to "Ski.Com."

Alaska Adventure Cruise: August 5-13, 2022

HERO is once again taking to the seas, this time to Alaska in August of 2022, on Royal Caribbean's Ovation of the Seas! Cabins start at \$805 +\$234 tax/port fees per



person (double occupancy) for a virtual interior cabin with *refundable* rates (note: you may find cheaper rates online, but they may not be refundable). Our trip includes a HERO complimentary cocktail party AND a \$25 per cabin credit. Refundable deposits of \$250/person are DUE at time of booking, with final payment due April 2022. To book your cabin(s) now, contact <u>Jim Carey</u> at 509.628.9555 or jcarey@cruiseholidays.com. Our HERO POC is <u>Dianne Whitten</u> at 509.943.4076 or dianne_r_whitten@rl.gov.

HERO DISCOUNTED TICKETS

Note: Please keep in mind that our HERO ticket sellers are volunteers, but their "real" jobs are their priority. Some may have specific hours they are available for sales, so it is important you contact them (email or phone call) prior to purchasing tickets.

Also, if paying in cash, please have the exact amount, as ticket sellers cannot make change. Thank you!

Ski Bluewood Lift Tickets 2021-22 Season



Ski season has begun, and HERO is happy to offer full day lift tickets at Ski Bluewood for \$40 a person! Check this website for mountain information:

http://www.bluewood.com. The snow report line is (509) 240-8991. To take advantage of this discount, contact one of the ticket sellers listed: Lisa Escalera (509.373.3711) or Karen Joost (509.373.1039). Please make checks payable to "HERO." Our HERO POC is Logan Beebe at 509.372.2071 or logan_t_beebe@rl.gov.

These activities and discounts are available for all MSA, HMIS, CHPRC, CPCCo, WRPS, HPMCO, Wastren and HLMI employees and their families, and retirees.

Note: All payments over \$500 must be made by a cashier's check, money order or cash (exact change, please). Reservations for all activities are not confirmed until full payment has been received by HERO. All HERO sales are non-refundable. Personal checks will not be accepted less than two weeks before an event; other forms of payment are okay.

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White Pass Lift Tickets 2021-22 Season



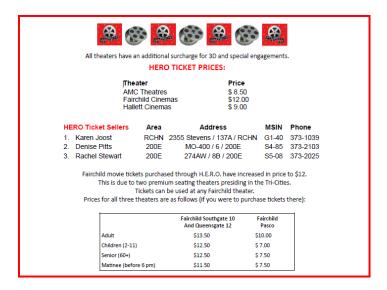
The slopes are open, and HERO is offering discounted full day lift tickets to White Pass this ski season. Ticket prices are \$63 (Adult age 17-72) and \$42 (Junior age 9-16).

HERO members are guaranteed the opportunity to ski regardless of the number of guests on the mountain. This is something people purchasing tickets online or at the gate are not given. Check this website for mountain info: https://skiwhitepass.com. The ski information line is (509) 672-3100. Purchase tickets from Lisa Escalera (509.373.3711) or Karen Joost (509.373.1039). Please make checks payable to "HERO." Our HERO POC is Logan Beebe at 509.372.2071 or logan_t_beebe@rl.gov.

Movie Tickets



Need something to do on those cold snowy days? All the movie theaters (Fairchild, AMC, and Hallett-Sunnyside) are open and ready for your business, so purchase your discount tickets (limit is 25) from the following ticket sellers:



For those who have Fairchild vouchers with an expiration date of Dec. 31, 2021, due to COVID closures, Fairchild has extended the expiration dates by one year. They will be good until Dec. 31, 2022.

NOTE: Only individual HERO members purchasing for personal use will receive an additional \$1 discount off each ticket. Ticket sales for company use will NOT receive this discount.

Tri-City Americans Hockey!



Join in the fun as the Tri-City Americans take the ice for a full schedule this season! Purchase



your HERO discounted tickets online by scanning the QR code (above) and selecting the games you want to attend! The price is \$20/person and our POC is Leslie Cone at leslie j cone@rl.gov.

MISCELLANEOUS

Newsletter Distribution: Want to sign up?



Don't miss out on anything – have our newsletter delivered directly to your inbox, work or home, each month. At work, you can sign up on this website: newsletter sign-ups and at home, you can send an email to:

HERO_Hanford_Emp_Rec_Org@rl.gov and make the request! Be the first to know what's happening!

HERO is on Facebook!



For those of you who are "new" to HERO, we have a Facebook group page for HERO members! To find it, search Facebook for HERO (Hanford Employee Recreation

Organization) and request to join. Restrictions are listed on the page. The page is mostly for advertising our trip and activities – so watch for upcoming flyers! Our POC is <u>Linda Meigs</u> at 509.376.5785.







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HERO DISCOUNT CLUB

The Hanford Discount Club (HDC) serves all employees and retirees of the Hanford Site. If your name is in PopFon, you are eligible for a HDC card, which enables you to enjoy all the discounts offered to our members. Do you know of a local business who might want to provide a unique discount for Hanford workers? If so, contact our HDC Coordinator Leslie Cone at leslie j cone@rl.gov. She'll contact them and set something up!

HERO BOARD NEWS

President Diane Call

VP Administrative Corina Sarmiento **VP Travel Christopher Cree VP Sports** Caryn McLellan Treasurers: **Dulcie Benbow** Michael Bush

Tracey Peloquin

Kelly Profitt Secretary **HDC Coordinator** Leslie Cone Webmaster/Publicity Linda Meigs Movie Ticket Coord. Kristine Studniski Seasonal Ticket Coord. Logan Beebe Sports Ticket Coord. **VACANT** 100 Area Rep **VACANT** Co-200E Area Rep VACANT

Co-200E Area Rep Angie George 300/400/600 Area Rep Kristina Hanson RCHN/1100/700 Area Rep Karen Joost Management Liaison Rosie Capron

VACANT

HERO is Looking for New Board Members

Applications for the following positions are open:

Sports Ticket Coordinator

200W Area Rep

- 100 Area Representative
- Co-200E Area Representative x 2
- Webmaster/Publicity Chair this position will be up for re-election in February 2022 and the

incumbent will not be on the ballot. The ideal candidate would be someone who is 1) familiar with the Rapid Web platform, 2) proficient at writing up/editing newsletter articles, including excellent proof-reading skills and 3) familiar with IDMS. While these requirements are not necessary, familiarity with these things will make for a smooth transition. The incumbent will be around for a while for training purposes.

The HERO board plans and carries out activities for members. Besides specific responsibilities of each position, board members are also expected to attend a monthly meeting and chair at least one HERO activity each year. Please contact Diane Call at 509.372.8371 if you are interested in joining us.



Internal HERO website (from work) http://msc.ms.rl.gov/rapidweb/HERO/index.cfm?PageNum=1 **External HERO website (from home)** http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/HERO

NOTICE:

Regarding upcoming HERO events that include bus transportation, while on the bus, HERO will follow our contractors' policy or state proclamations regarding face coverings and social distancing (to the extent possible) in effect at the time of the trip. For the safety and comfort of all participants, there will be no exceptions.

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